

What is claimed is:

1. A magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus comprising:

a lock releasing arm having a claw for depressing a lock releasing switch on a front cover of a cassette, the claw depressing the lock releasing switch through a hole formed in the cassette; and

a projection to be in contact with a front face of the cassette when the cassette is inserted into the magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus,

wherein when the cassette is brought into contact with the projection, the lock releasing arm depresses the lock releasing switch, and a sidewall on a cassette inserting direction side of the claw comes into contact with a side wall on the cassette inserting direction side of the hole to position the cassette until the cassette is automatically loaded.

2. A magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus comprising:

a lock releasing arm having a claw for depressing a lock releasing switch on a front cover of a cassette, the claw depressing the lock releasing switch through a hole formed in the cassette,

wherein a side wall on a cassette inserting direction side of the claw comes into contact with a side wall on the cassette inserting direction side of the hole to position the cassette

until the cassette is automatically loaded.

3. The magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising a projection to be in contact with a front face of the cassette when the cassette is inserted into the magnetic recording/reproducing apparatus, wherein when the cassette is brought into contact with the projection, the lock releasing arm depresses the lock releasing switch, and the side wall on the cassette inserting direction side of the claw comes into contact with the side wall on the cassette inserting direction side of the hole.